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In the Application of: Louis G. Lange, III, et al.)
Serial No. 09/712,364) Examiner: L. C. Maier
Filed: November 14, 2000) Group Art Unit: 1623
Title: Method and Composition for)
Inhibiting Cholesterol Esterase)

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

REPLY TO THE March 22, 2002 OFFICIAL ACTION

Dear Sir:

This reply is responsive to the Official Action dated March 22, 2002 (paper no. 8). This response is being submitted during the 2-month extended response period. A request for 2-month extension of time is being submitted with this response.

Claims 12-17 are pending in this Application. Applicants traverse the rejections presented by the Examiner and present the following arguments and amendments.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On filing this continuation application a reference to priority was inserted before the first line of the specification. That reference to priority should be cancelled from the specification and replaced with the following priority claim:

This is a continuation application of co-pending application Serial No. 08/816,823 filed on March 17, 1997, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/451,563, filed May 26, 1995, now abandoned which is a divisional of application Serial No. 08/322,782 filed on October 13, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,521,303.

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